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SUBJECT:ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIGATION OF METHYL ALCOHOL FROM
BRAZIL

REF: STATE 220598

1. AN ANTI-DUMPING PROCEEDINGS NOTICE WAS PUBLISHED ON
SEPTEMBER 16, 1977 WITH RESPECT TO METHANOL (METHYL
ALCOHOL) FROM BRAZIL. THE AMERICAN COMPLAINANT IN THIS
CASE WAS CELANESE CORPORATION. OUR INFORMATION INDICATES
THAT THE SOLE BRAZILIAN EXPORTER OF THIS MERCHANDISE TO
THE U.S. IS METANOR S.A., A COMPANY HEADQUARTERED IN RIO
DE JANEIRO.

2. THE U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE HAS FORWARDED TO METANOR A
LETTER WITH AN ACCOMPANYING QUESTIONNAIRE IN CONNECTION
WITH THIS ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIGATION. THE LETTER TO
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METANOR ASKS THAT THE INFORMATION REQUESTED BE PROVIDED IN
DUPLICATE WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF RECEIPT WITH THE
ORIGINAL DIRECTLY SENT TO THE CUSTOMS SERVICE IN WASHING-
TON AND A DUPLICATE TO THE FINANCIAL ATTACHE AT THE EMBASSY.
A COPY OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE AND OF THE LETTER TO METANOR
FROM THE CUSTOMS SERVICE IS BEING POUCHED DIRECTLY. WE

WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR PROVIDING THIS COPY TO APPROPRIATE PERSONNEL IN GOB.

3. AS EMBASSY IS AWARE, U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE AND TREASURY DEPT. HAVE EXPERIENCED SOME DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING COOPERATION OF BRAZILIAN MANUFACTURERS/GOVERNMENT IN CONNECTION WITH ANTI-DUMPING AND COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATIONS OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS. SPECIFICALLY SINCE 1974, THE GOB HAS NOT PERMITTED CUSTOMS REPRESENTATIVES INTO BRAZIL TO CONDUCT THE NECESSARY INQUIRIES REQUIRED BY U.S. LAW. THE ANTI-DUMPING ACT, UNLIKE THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY LAW, DOES NOT PERMIT TREASURY TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT INFORMATION RECEIVED BY COMPANIES UNLESS VERIFICATION OF COMPANY RECORDS BY A CUSTOMS REPRESENTATIVE CONFIRMS SUCH DATA. THEREFORE, WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN FACILITATING COOPERATION OF BRAZILIAN MANUFACTURER/EXPORTER OF METHYL ALCOHOL WITH OUR INVESTIGATION.

4. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT INFORMATION BE SUBMITTED BY METANOR AND THAT INFORMATION BE AVAILABLE FOR VERIFICATION BY CUSTOMS SERVICE PERSONNEL WITHIN OUR STATUTORILY MANDATED TIME PERIOD. TREASURY MUST MAKE TENTATIVE DETERMINATION IN THIS CASE SIX MONTHS FROM PUBLICATION OF ANTI-DUMPING PROCEEDING NOTICE, THAT IS BY MARCH 16. WE WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY MAKING CONTACT WITH APPROPRIATE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GOB OFFICIALS AND INFORMING TREASURY OF ANY DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. CHRISTOPHER

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